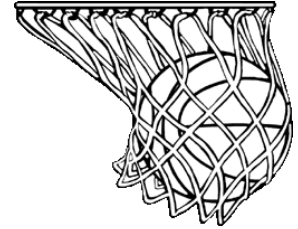




## 2020-2021 Youth Basketball Information Sheet



**1. Leagues Offered & Eligibility** (age on October 15, 2020 determines the division of play)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional 3-4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Coed 5-6    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 7-8          | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 7-8   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 9-10         | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 9-10  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 11-12        | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 11-12 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys 13-15        | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls 13-15 |

### 3-4 Instructional Division

This division is designed to introduce players to organized sports. Rules are simplified, team rosters are reduced, and playing season is compacted to allow maximum exposure in a limited time frame.

### 5-6 & 7-8 Divisions

These divisions are designed to introduce players to organized sports and begin developing fundamentals for each specific sport. Rules are modified to provide the optimum playing experience for novice participants.

### 9-10 Division

This division builds on basic fundamentals of a given sport. Rules are slightly modified to provide optimum playing experience for participants with limited exposure.

### 11-12 & 13-15 Divisions

These divisions are designed to promote teamwork, sportsmanship and advance fundamental development. No rule modifications or slight rule modifications to provide optimum playing experience.

**2. How much will it cost to register my child?**

Resident of Kannapolis     \$40  
Non-Resident                 \$60

**Online registration is highly recommended.**

Cash, checks and credit/debit cards are accepted. Please make checks payable to: City of Kannapolis  
Financial Assistance is available.

**3. When / where can I register?**

Registration will begin October 1 and end November 30.

**Online:** [www.kannapolisnc.gov/parksprograms](http://www.kannapolisnc.gov/parksprograms) (**RECOMMENDED**)

Kannapolis Parks & Recreation Office, 401 Laureate Way, Kannapolis NC, 28081

\*\*\*Monday-Friday 8am-5pm In person registration TBD pending Kannapolis City Hall opening\*\*\*

**4. What is included in the registration fee?**

Jerseys, Practices, Games, Physical Exercise

**5. What equipment will my child be using?**

Proper athletic shoes are required on all gym surfaces.

League	Ball Size
Instructional 3-4	27.5 basketball
Coed 5-6, Boys 7-8, Boys 9-10	28.5 basketball
All Girl's Leagues	28.5 basketball
Boys 11-12 and Boys 13-15	29.5 basketball

League	Goal Height
Instructional 3-4	6ft
Coed 5-6, Boys 7-8, Girls 7-8	8ft
All Leagues 9 & up	10ft

**6. When is the parent meeting?**

There will be no in person parent meeting, but parents are required to watch the parent's video posted on our website for additional information and what to expect from this program. The parent's video will be posted by November 30.

**7. How to be a coach?**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!** Potential coaches must be 18 years or older, fill out a coach's application, pass a criminal background check and sign the Coaches Code of Conduct. Approved coaches must attend a mandatory coaches meeting (may be virtual or required to watch coach video) and will be given a photo ID Coach badge. **Coaches are required to wear their ID badges at all practices and games.** Completion of paperwork does not guarantee a coaching position.

**8. Skills/ Evaluation Assessment Information**

It is our current plan to have skills assessments sometime between December 7-19. These TBD dates/times will be communicated via email and posted on our website once a final decision has been made. If no skills days can take place then players will be randomly assigned to teams.

All basketball participants playing in the 7-8 year old age group or older are required to attend skills assessments. If a child does not attend a skills assessment, then that child will be randomly assigned to a team at the player draft. There are no skills assessments for the 3-4 or 5-6 year old age group. All players in these age groups are randomly assigned to teams.

**9. When will I be contacted?**

You will be contacted by your coach after player team assignments sometime between December 28-January 3. Please allow volunteer coaches time to contact each participant before contacting our office on January 4 for team information.

**10. How many practices will my child have per week?**

Ages 5 & Up: Teams will have one practice per week (lasting one hour) starting January 4, 2021.

3-4 Instructional: This program will begin on Saturday, January 16, 2021.

**11. When / where will games be played?**

Games will be played on Saturdays beginning January 16 and conclude on March 6. Depending on schedules and gym availability, some weeknight games may be necessary. Practices and games will be played primarily at Kannapolis City Schools. Nearby Cabarrus County schools may be utilized if registration numbers dictate that a particular division play countywide.

**12. Team Pictures**

Team and individual pictures opportunities will be available. Days, times and locations will be announced once scheduled.

**13. Inclement Weather Hotline**

In the event that we encounter inclement weather, the weather hotline 704-920-4344 will be updated. The Parks & Recreation Department has until 4pm to make weather related decisions for weeknight activities. Any time school is cancelled because of inclement weather, all practices and games scheduled for that day at all sites are cancelled. If school is cancelled on a Friday because of inclement weather, games scheduled for the following Saturday are also cancelled.

**14. Sponsorship**

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Please visit [www.kannapolisnc.gov](http://www.kannapolisnc.gov) for additional information.

**15. Special Request**

Requesting a particular coach, teammate or practice night does not guarantee that request, but staff will do all they can to help grant a request or accommodate a conflict.

**16. Important Safety Information**

While we continue to monitor and follow COVID guidelines here are some examples of what can be expected:

- \* Social distancing efforts will be maximized for the safety of all participants, spectators, coaches, officials and staff.
  - \* Masks will not be required for our youth athletes as long as they are practicing social distancing during practices/games or during game play and game-like play during practice. Participants are welcome to wear masks if they prefer.
  - \* We recommend each participant bring a mask to use during times that social distancing is not possible.
  - \* Coaches, officials and staff are required to wear face mask. "Mask breaks" are encouraged at the appropriate times and should happen while practicing the proper social distancing.
  - \* No team snacks are to be provided. Each child should bring their own water bottle if desired. All bottles or any additional items should be clearly marked with the child's name.
  - \* Participants are asked to wash their hands thoroughly prior to attending practice/game and after leaving.
  - \* Practice and game times may be staggered to reduce the amount of people in the gym at one time.
  - \* Spectator attendance, gym capacity, spectator social distancing and mask will be evaluated and addressed as we get closer to the program offering based on the Governor's orders and CDC recommendations.
  - \* Pending additional recommendations or requirements, there may be additional practices to reduce possible spread.
- Program cancellation or postponement are also possibilities if it is deemed in the best interest of public safety.

***We know these may not be desirable options, but they allow us to offer this program while following the Governor's orders and CDC's recommendations of public gatherings.***

**17. For information please contact:**

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